

ASSOCIATION OF JAMAICAN NATIONALS (BIRMINGHAM) UK

England & Wales · Charity number 1130750

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [06561956](#)

Registered 2009-07-27

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Address Diamond Travel
178 Dudley Road
Birmingham
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Website www.ajn-birmingham.org.uk

Activities

Objects: = TO PROMOTE THE BENEFIT OF PEOPLE FROM JAMAICA AND OF JAMAICAN ANCESTRY IN THE WEST MIDLANDS AND JAMAICAN NATIONALS IN JAMAICA BY:(A) THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING;(B) THE RELIEF OF POVERTY, SICKNESS AND DISTRESS;(C) THE PROMOTION OF GOOD HEALTH; AND(D) THE PROVISION OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE;= TO ADVANCE IN LIFE AND RELIEVE NEEDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE THROUGH:(A) THE PROVISION OF RECREATIONAL AND LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES PROVIDED IN THE INTEREST OF SOCIAL WELFARE, DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE;(B) PROVIDING SUPPORT AND ACTIVITIES WHICH DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS, CAPACITIES AND CAPABILITIES TO ENABLE THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN SOCIETY AS MATURE AND RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS.

Activities: The charity undertakes fund raising activities, holds informative events, supports those in need within the Jamaican community in the West Midlands as well as supporting a charity for abandoned and disabled children in Jamaica. The charity also works to strengthen the links between Jamaicans in UK and Jamaicans with the wider community in the West Midlands (See our objects).

Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** WEST MIDLANDS AND JAMAICA
- Jamaica
- Birmingham City
- Dudley
- Sandwell
- Solihull
- Walsall
- Wolverhampton

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£40,087	£38,257	-	-
2024-03-31	£32,483	£33,993	-	-
2023-03-31	£64,092	£44,309	-	-
2022-03-31	£18,531	£15,576	-	-
2021-03-31	£7,878	£12,600	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr BEVERLY ISADORE LINDSAY	Chair	
CARLTON ELLIS		

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1st	April	2023		31st	March	2024

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Association of Jamaican Nationals (Birmingham) UK

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

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Charity's principal address

178 Dudley Road

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**Nominations/Awards****Links with the Jamaican High Commission**

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Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>B Lindsay</i>	<i>C Ellis</i>
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Full name(s)	Beverly Lindsay	Carlton Ellis
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
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Date	9 January 2025
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THE ASSOCIATION OF JAMAICAN NATIONALS
INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>2025</u>		<u>2024</u>	
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Membership Fees	120		90	
Church Service	2442		2125	
Jamaica 60th grant	NIL 10000		NIL NIL	
Event Sponsors	7500		14450	
Gala & Heroes Awards	19890		15691	
Other Donations	NIL		NIL	
Bank Interest	<u>135</u>		<u>127</u>	
TOTAL INCOME (RECEIPTS)		40087		32483
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>				
Postage & Printing	3718		1670	
church service	1050		4127	
Accountancy Fees	275		275	
Zoom	NIL		NIL	
Travel	470		NIL	
ICO	NIL		NIL	
Gala/Heroes Award	28650		26772	
Benevolent Gifts	2510		98	
Insurance	248		248	
computer equip	190		300	
Sundry Expenses	<u>1146</u>		<u>503</u>	
Total Expenditure		<u>38257</u>		<u>33993</u>
Excess of Income Over Expenditure		<u>1830</u>		<u>-1510</u>

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THE ASSOCIATION OF JAMAICAN NATIONAL
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2025

	<u>2025</u>		<u>2024</u>	
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>				
Reserve Account	9718		9583	
Current Account	<u>26842</u>		<u>25147</u>	
	<u>36560</u>		<u>34730</u>	
<u>LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>				
Accrual Expense (Accounts)	<u>252</u>		<u>252</u>	
	<u>252</u>		<u>252</u>	
TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES		<u>36308</u>		<u>34478</u>
<u>REPRESENTED BY: ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>				
Funds B/fwd	34478		35988	
Receipts Over Expenditure	<u>1830</u>		<u>-1510</u>	
Accumulated Funds C/fwd		<u>36308</u>		<u>34478</u>

APPROVED BY.....

Mr C. G. Ellis

Honorary Treasurer

18th December 2025

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Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

B Lindsay

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Full name(s)

Beverly Lindsay

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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Treasurer

Date

9 January 2025

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>2024</u>		<u>2023</u>	
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Membership Fees	90		225	
Church Service	2125		NIL	
Jamaica 60th		tickets sponsors	11666 48000	
Event Sponsors	14450			
Gala & Heroes Awards	15691			
Other Donations			4160	
Bank Interest	<u>127</u>		<u>41</u>	
TOTAL INCOME (RECEIPTS)		32483		64092
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>				
Postage & Printing	1670		517	
Mustard Seed	4127		NIL	
Advertising	300		NIL	
Accountancy Fees	275		275	
Zoom	NIL		143	
Travel	NIL		209	
ICO	NIL		35	
Jamaica 60th Gala/Heroes Award	26772		40912	
Benevolent Gifts	98		2150	
Insurance	248		NIL	
Windrush event	300		NIL	
Sundry Expenses	<u>203</u>		<u>68</u>	
Total Expenditure		<u>33993</u>		<u>44309</u>
Excess of Income Over Expenditure		<u>-1510</u>		<u>19783</u>

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<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Reserve Account	9583		9455
Current Account	<u>25147</u>		<u>26783</u>
	<u>34730</u>		<u>36238</u>
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Mr C. G. Ellis
16th December 2024

Honorary Treasurer

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Signature(s)		
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Full name(s)	Beverly Lindsay	Cynthia Spence
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Secretary
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Date	30/12/2023
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INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

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	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Membership Fees	225		230	
Church Service	NIL		1443	
Jamaica 60th tickets	11666		5000	
sponsors	48000		9180	
Other Donations	4160		2677	
Bank Interest	<u>41</u>		<u>1</u>	
TOTAL INCOME (RECEIPTS)		64092		18531
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>				
Postage & Printing	517		712	
Advertising	NIL		917	
Church Service	NIL		1550	
Accountancy Fees	275		250	
Zoom	143		NIL	
Travel	209		50	
ICO	35		35	
<u>Jamaica 60th Gala/Heroes Award</u>				
Books	1350		1655	
Trophies	3058		2040	
Awards	NIL		515	
PA System	2700		1970	
Room Hire/Food	16152		NIL	
Refund to DT	2187		NIL	
MISC	<u>15465</u>		<u>1000</u>	
	40912		7180	
Benevolent Gifts	2150		2350	
Insurance	NIL		243	
Caudwell	NIL		2249	
Sundry Expenses	<u>68</u>		<u>40</u>	
Total Expenditure		<u>44309</u>		<u>15576</u>
Excess of Income Over Expenditure		<u>19783</u>		<u>2955</u>

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Xmas Meal	IT	PA	Lear Print	JLP	Aston Villa	St Johns	Trophies	Safety Wear	Eventmen	
480	175.18	350	2219		235	9015	1364.4	1872	32	25389
	148.8		500							
	66		935.35							
			597							
			31.45							
			14.35							
480	389.98	350	4297.15		235	9015	1364.4	1872	32	25389

YSLV

6000 Screen Hire

6000

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THE ASSOCIATION OF JAMAICAN NATIONAL
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2023

	<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>	
	£	£	£	£
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>				
Reserve Account	9455		9414	
Current Account	<u>26783</u>		<u>7041</u>	
	<u>36238</u>		<u>16455</u>	
<u>LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>				
Accrual Expense (Accounts)	<u>300</u>		<u>250</u>	
	<u>300</u>		<u>250</u>	
TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES		<u>35938</u>		<u>16205</u>
<u>REPRESENTED BY: ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>				
Funds B/fwd	16205		13250	
Receipts Over Expenditure	<u>19783</u>		<u>2955</u>	
Accumulated Funds C/fwd		<u>35988</u>		<u>16205</u>



APPROVED BY.....

Mr C. G. Ellis

Honorary Treasurer

12th December 2023